## 74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Commerce

MEASURE: CARRIER: HB 2679 Sen. Beyer

REVENUE: No revenue impact	
FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	4 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Avakian, Beyer, Monroe, Prozanski
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Gordly
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Meeting Dates:	5/21

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Allows member of the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan to receive vested amounts from employee and employer accounts over a period that is equal to the anticipated life span of the member.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

• Provisions of the measure

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Under ORS 238A.400, a member of the individual account program of the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan (OPSRP) can receive vested amounts in "substantially equal installments" paid over a period of 5, 10, 15, or 20 years in lieu of a lump sum payment. At the time the statute was drafted, it was anticipated that 20 years would be a sufficient amount of time for a payout. However, in the case of some public safety personnel retirees who retire in their early to mid-50s, a 20-year period may not be long enough as they will likely outlive the payment schedule.

HB 2679 allows the member to receive vested amounts over a period that is equal to the anticipated life span of the member as actuarially determined by the Public Employees Retirement Board.